

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: MODULAR WALL PANEL)	
CONSTRUCTION)	
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Art Unit: 3635)	
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REMARKS

Claims 1-6 and 8-20 are in the application. Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowance of claims 1-8, 19 and 20.

Claims 9-18 stand rejected because of new matter. This rejection is respectfully traversed in view of amendments made to the claims. The term "tower bracket" is the structure shown in FIG. 3 and labeled "glide tower 32" in the specification. To avoid labeling difficulty, applicant has changed the term "tower brackets" to the broader designations "first and second structures" with reference still being made to the glide tower 32. (As stated in the specification, a "mirror image" of the figure is at the other end of the panel as shown in Fig. 2.)

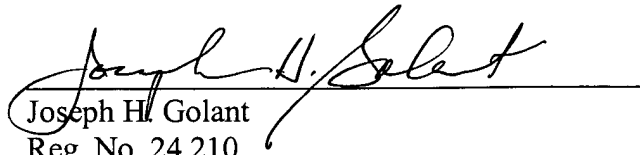
The term "threaded sleeve" relates to the threaded portion 34 shown in FIG. 3, as stated on page 4, line 21 of the specification. "Threaded sleeves" has been changed to the broader designation "threaded portions".

The last element mentioned, "a pair of threaded adjustment members", relates to the floor glide 20 and the stem 36. This term has been changed to the broader designation "vertically oriented threaded member". This language was used in claim 1, line 8 as originally filed.

In view of the amendments made, it is believed that there is no new matterd. The Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider claims 9-18 and indicate allowance.

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